



Ruby Ballweg

March 9, 1920 - April 13, 2012

MANSFIELD -- Ruby Irene Ballweg, 92, faithful wife, loving mother, grandmother and great grandmother, died Friday, April 13, 2012. Ruby was the last child of five born to Doc and Belle Carroll Rutland in Roscoe, March 9, 1920. At the age of two, her family moved to the "Francis Place", a farm in the Webb Community, where Ruby grew up. She attended Webb School and graduated from Mansfield High School. Ruby then graduated from Brantley Draughn Business College in downtown Fort Worth, working for her "room and board" at Mrs. Brown's home on East Allen Street. Ruby then accepted a job at the Montgomery Ward Store on 7th Street, where she worked until early 1941, after her marriage to Henry Ballweg in 1940. She and Henry bought their own farm in 1946 and worked hard together making a living and rearing their children. In the 1960's, Ruby utilized her secretarial skills taking a job at the UTA Bookstore, retiring in 1984. Since then, Ruby and Henry enjoyed their life together with many family gatherings, vacationing, and helping others until their 70 year marriage ended with Henry's death in 2010. Ruby and Henry were pillars of the historic Webb Community. She served for several years as president of the Webb School PTA and actively supported the school up to its closing. In addition, she and Henry were closely associated with the Webb Volunteer Fire Department, with hundreds of people enjoying their annual "fish fries" and other events. Ruby was the senior member of the Webb Baptist Church. Very outgoing and compassionate, Ruby was known for helping anyone she knew during times of joy and crisis. Probably, primarily, Ruby was known for her excellent cooking, especially her famous pies. All her family and friends appreciated her love and loyalty. She will be sorely missed. Ruby was preceded in death by her parents, her brothers Raymond, Leslie, and Olan, and her sister, Daisy, and her beloved husband, Henry. Survivors: Left behind to cherish her memory are her sons, Jimmie Ballweg and wife, Jo, and Thomas Ballweg and wife, Yolanda, all of Mansfield; daughters, Judy McWilliams and husband, Richard, of Fort Worth and Janet Hinton and husband, Morris of Mansfield; grandchildren, Shauna McWilliams and Ian McWilliams of Dallas, Aaron McWilliams and wife, Ashley, of Burleson, Ann Fontenot and husband, Kevin, of Kennedale, Cole Ballweg and wife, Ann, of Arlington, Dana Tarrant and husband, Zach, of Willow Park, Derek Hinton and wife, Tracie, of Arlington, Jared Hinton of Dallas and Matthew Hinton of Arlington; great-

grandchildren, Elisabeth and Carrie Fontenot, Henry and Gray Ballweg, Ava and Judd McWilliams, Ruby and Luke Tarrant, and Jacob Hinton; sisters in law, Ethel Rutland, Martha Durand and husband, Joe, Pat Gazewood, and Polly Ballweg; numerous nieces and nephews; special thanks to our caregivers, Norma, Nancy, Sharon, Judy and Charlotte.